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SUBJECT: VISIT TO NAMIBIA BY ERDA REPRESENTATIVE

1. AT REQUEST OF ENERGY RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION (ERDA) DEPARTMENT HAS APPROVED JULY 1975 VISIT TO NAMIBIA BY ROGER C MALAN, DIRECTOR OF THE RESOURCE DIVISION IN ERDA'S GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO OFFICE. MALAN WILL VISIT ROSSING URANIUM DEPOSITS TO GATHER INFORMATION ON THE GEOLOGIC MAKE-UP OF THE AREA. MALAN IS HEADING A HIGH-PRIORITY ERDA PROGRAM TO LOCATE MORE URANIUM DEPOSITS IN THE UNITED STATES. ERDA BELIEVES THAT A STUDY OF UNIQUE GEOLOGIC ENVIRONMENT AT ROSSING WILL ASSIST IN EFFORTS TO LOCATE SIMILAR GEOLOGIC FORMATIONS IN U.S. DEPARTMENT APPROVAL OF VISIT BASED UPON IMPORTANCE ATTACHED BY USG TO DISCOVERY OF ADDITIONAL U.S. URANIUM DEPOSITS AND ERDA POSITION THAT VISIT BY MALAN COULD SIGNIFICANTLY ASSIST USG OBJECTIVES IN URANIUM RESOURCE PROGRAM.

2. MR. MALAN SCHEDULED TO ATTEND GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTH AFRICA MEETING IN PRETORIA JULY 9-12 BEFORE PROCEEDING
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TO NAMIBIA. HE HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED BY ERDA TO CONTACT

EMBASSY FOR A BRIEFING ON U.S. POLICY TOWARD NAMIBIA.
EMBASSY SHOULD STRESS TO MALAN IMPORTANCE OF MAINTAINING A

LOW PROFILE AND AVOIDING PUBLICITY DURING VISIT BECAUSE OF
U.S. POLICY OF DISCOURAGING OFFICAL VISITS TO NAMIBIA AND
PROBABILITY THAT VISIT WOULD BE VIEWED BY PRESS AND PUBLIC
AS INDICATING USG INTEREST IN IMPORTATION OF NAMIBIAN
URANIUM. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO CONTACT MALAN IF HE DOES
NOT VISIT EMBASSY BY JULY 11. KISSINGER

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